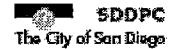


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From: Rob Hawk
To: Afshin Oskoui, Hossein Ruhi, Richard Haas, Jim Fisher, Mark Mercer, David Jarrell, Alex Ruiz, Ray Palmucci
CC: Peter Yee, Mario Sierra, Tim Bertch, Christopher Toth, Thomas Zeleny
Date: Monday - September 17, 2007 9:11 PM
Subject: Re: 5700 Soledad Mtn Road/Draft meeting minutes/attorney-client communication

Will do. He was invited to the last meeting, and Tim Berch has also requested that he be included. Rob Hawk

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>>> Alex Ruiz 09/17/07 4:40 PM >>>

In addition, you may want to include Christopher Toth, DD in Wastewater Collection, in the meeting as his crews maintain the sewer laterals and collection system

Alex

(619) 533-6692
Assistant Director
Water Department

>>> Rob Hawk 9/17/2007 3:52 PM >>>
Meeting of 9/17/07

Rob Hawk
Hossein Ruhi
Rich Haas
Afshin Oskoui
Mark Mercer
Alex Ruiz
Jim Fischer

Discussion of main points included urgency of action to stop water from utilities and precipitation from entering subsurface upslope of the distressed area, and retaining a geotechnical consultant to determine cause of earth movement and provide repair recommendations.

Action items:

- Water Department considering feasibility main can be valved off and services highlined in and around affected area. Fire Department to be consulted about coverage with loss of hydrant on Soledad Mtn Rd and Desert View Drive alley
- Waste Water to be notified to address potential leaks in laterals

- Geotechnical consultant to be retained by Risk Management, managed by ECP
- SDG&E to be contacted regarding protecting their laterals
- ECP Survey to set monitoring points on Soledad Mtn. Rd. to evaluate movement
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- Meeting to be scheduled every two weeks to evaluate progress
- Jim Cauldren, Tom Zelany, Peter Yee, Mario Sierra & Tim Bertch to be added to meeting attendees and briefed on issues

If I have omitted or mistated any of the discussion topics, please let me know for correction.

Thanks,

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From: Rob Hawk
To: AOskoui@sandiego.gov
Date: Mon, Sep 17, 2007 10:55 PM
Subject: Re: Fwd: Soledad Mt. Rd. Water Line

Afshin & all: take a look at the attached & see if that's what you had in mind. Rob Hawk

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CC: DZoumaras@sandiego.gov, HRuhi@sandiego.gov, MGibson@sandiego.gov

Dear Soledad Mountain Road Homeowner:

As you are aware, there have been a series of water leaks on service connections from our main water line on your street, resulting in unanticipated repair to water services, and traffic disruption due to repair activities. The purpose of this letter is to inform you that the City of San Diego will be installing above ground piping ("highline") to provide water service to your property beginning on September ??, 2007. At that time, the Water Department will isolate and depressurize (turn-off) the existing underground water main. In addition, City forces will be conducting a soil investigation in the area to determine the cause of the recent leaks.

The purpose of this effort is to minimize potential for damage to the water main and roadway due to potential soil movement in the 5700 block of Soledad Mountain Road. Past soil movement in the general area in the 1960's and the 1990's resulted in damage to local underground water pipelines. Until the cause of the leaks has been identified and corrected, the City will utilize the highline to provide reliable water service for your property, and other properties that depend upon the subject water main.

We appreciate your patience and cooperation during our activities in the area to protect the utilities, and investigate and identify the cause of the problem. During this time, please contact Carol Drummond at our hotline (_____) if you have any questions. If you notice any service leaks, please immediately call our utility hotline at (619) 515-3525.

From: Dave Zoumaras
To: Afshin Oskoui; Rob Hawk
Date: Tue, Sep 18, 2007 9:01 AM
Subject: Re: Fwd: Soledad Mt. Rd. Water Line

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CC: Hossein Ruhi; Marnell Gibson

From: Rob Hawk
To: Oskoui, Afshin; Zoumaras, Dave
Date: Tue, Sep 18, 2007 9:03 AM
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CC: Gibson, Marnell; Ruhi, Hossein

From: Afshin Oskoui
To: Christopher Toth; Hasan Yousef; Jim Fisher; Stan Medina
Date: 9/18/2007 1:45:30 PM
Subject: Fwd: Re: Urgent Help needed -Sole Source Consultant Agreement

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CC: Alex Ruiz; Hossein Ruhi; Jamal Batta; Jim Barrett; John Brown; Mario Sierra; Mark Mercer; Richard Haas; Tim Bertch

Soledad Mountain Road Repair

From 5685 to 5735

Action Items

18-Sep-07

No.	Item	Assigned to	Due Date	Comments
1	Establish a team contact list	Jamal	9/21/2007	
2	Meet and obtain geotechnical scope of work	Rob	9/19/2007	
3	Hire the Geotechnical Consultant	Handal	9/24/2007	
4	Contact SDG&E to alert them	Rob	9/18/2007	
5	Contact all other dry utility companies	Handal	9/18/2007	
6	Establish survey control points to monitor movement	Marshal	9/19/2007	
7	Contact Street Division to seal and batch all cracks	Handal	9/18/2007	
8	Water highline	Jamal	9/18/2007	
9	TV and monitor the sewer main	Jamal	9/18/2007	
10	Sewer emergency plan in case of failure	Jamal	9/18/2007	
11	Research as built and records	Handal	9/18/2007	
12	Kill the FH across 5734 Desert View Dr.	Jamal	9/18/2007	
13	Funding	Jamal	9/18/2007	
14	Signs to slow down traffic	Jamal	9/19/2007	Verify with Traffic Ops.
15	Explore contractor recruitment methods	Jamal		

From: Jamal Batta
To: Michael Handal; Rob Hawk
Date: Tue, Sep 18, 2007 12:14 PM
Subject: Re: Urgent Help needed -Sole Source Consultant Agreement

we will be on site for the meeting.....jamal,

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>>> Rob Hawk 9/18/2007 12:07 PM >>>

I have a field meeting scheduled at 1:45 PM today with Stan Helenschmidt, the geotechnical engineer, at the site to explain the conditions so that he can prepare a proposal. Jamal: I will send you & Michael Stan's contact info and yours to him in a separate email. Rob Hawk

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CC: Afshin Oskoui; Dave Zoumaras; David Jarrell; Hossein Ruhi; Marnell Gibson;
Richard Haas

From: Afshin Oskoui
To: Frank Romero; Jamal Batta; Peter Mesich
Date: 9/18/2007 12:51:01 PM
Subject: Re: Fwd: Urgent Help needed -Sole Source Consultant Agreement

Peter/Michael,

We are not declaring an emergency at this point. However, given the circumstances we are moving rather quickly to sole source a professional geotechnical engineering agreement based on the consultant's familiarity w/ land slide issues in this area, and other work performed in the vicinity, and the urgent need to mitigate this issue in becoming an emergency. Additionally, we are estimating the agreement to be below \$250K, and under Mayor's authority to execute. Once we have the geotechnical investigation, we'll be in better position to assess the condition at hand. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks, Afshin

>>> Peter Mesich 09/18/2007 11:39:48 AM >>>

Jamal--

The designation of an emergency is not being questioned. The issue, or my part of it as your advising attorney, is that we follow the Code. Clearly, the Purchasing Agent will have to go before Council and report the emergency award and justifications. The Code Section does not say when, so the emergency should be handled first. But it must be done at some point.

Again, let me know if I can help.

Peter

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>>> Jamal Batta 09/18/07 10:52 AM >>>

Thanks Peter for getting back to me. It is my understanding now is that Mark Mercer from your office is already involved with this project. I'll verify with him if he is still involved.....jamal,

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>>> Peter Mesich 9/18/2007 9:21 AM >>>

Jamal,

Even if you sole-source this contract based on an emergency, the Municipal Code still requires the emergency still requires the following:

§22.3212 Contracts Not Required to be Competitively Bid

- (c) A contract to remedy an emergency that affects public health or safety, provided that:
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 - (2) The Council by resolution acknowledges and ratifies the procurement;

Let me know if I can be of any assistance-
Peter

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>>> Jamal Batta 09/18/07 9:00 AM >>>

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CC: Dave Zoumaras; David Jarrell; Jaymie Bradford; Mark Mercer; Michael Calabrese;
Ray Palmucci; Richard Haas; Tammy Rimes; Thomas Zeleny

From: Afshin Oskoui
To: Christopher Toth
Date: 9/18/2007 3:46:16 PM
Subject: Fwd: Re: Urgent Help needed -Sole Source Consultant Agreement

Thanks Chris.

>>> Christopher Toth 09/18/2007 2:04:24 PM >>>

Afshin, please have staff coordinate with Kevin Gensler, GWUS, for WWCD. He will coordinate with other section heads in WWCD to communicate needs for support resources within our division. thanks, Chris

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Afshin

From: Rob Hawk
To: Leon, Maricela
Date: September 18, 2007 4:02:13 PM
Subject: Re: Mt. Soledad Rd.

Thank you Maricela. Due to the urgency of this issue, please have them contact me at their earliest opportunity so I can discuss the geologic conditions that have, or will, affect your improvements.

The project managers on the City work in the area will be

Handal, Michael
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Jamal Batta
Senior Engineer - Senior Civil Engineer
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They will be coordinating our work there with yours.

Rob Hawk

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>>> "Leon, Maricela" <MLeon@semprautilities.com> 9/18/07 3:17:21 PM >>>
Hi Rob,

Thanks for sharing the information you have regarding Mt. Soledad. I have passed the information along to the gas supervisor, Brett Peterson, and will contact the electric supervisor, Ruben Jaramillo to inform him as well. Both may call you so I wanted to send you an email to provide you with their names.

Please do not hesitate to contact me, once you finalize your findings so we have the information as well.

Thanks again,

Maricela Leon
Project Management-Metro
Governmental Liaison Planner

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CC: Batta, Jamal; Handal, Michael

From: Jamal Batta
To: Dave Zoumaras
Date: Tue, Sep 18, 2007 12:14 PM
Subject: Soledad Mountain Road - Contact list

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I am sure I'll eventually ask for more. But lets start with the above list.

Thanks, jamal

CC: Afshin Oskoui

From: Rob Hawk
To: Batta, Jamal; Drummond, Carol
Date: Tue, Sep 18, 2007 12:34 PM
Subject: Re: Desert View Drive

If you're free, Jamal & I have a meeting with a geotechnical consultant at 5725 Soledad Mountain Road today at 1:45 where we can discuss many of the issues. Soledad Mountain Road is where the problem is, located above Desert View Drive. If you're not available, we can meet down your way. Rob Hawk

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>>> Carol Drummond 9/18/07 12:29:59 PM >>>
Hello Jamal and Rob.

I understand there may be a need for community outreach and public relations on Desert View Drive. Please provide me with some background and let me know how I might assist.

Thank you.

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"Faith is not believing what we see, it is seeing what we believe."

From: Kristine Jaworski
To: Jamal Batta
Date: Tue, Sep 18, 2007 12:47 PM
Subject: Code 50 Memo - Sample

Hi Jamal,

Please use the attached as an example. I'll change Patti's name to Dave Jarrell.

Please revise and e-mail it back to me ASAP so that I can get it sent for approval.

Thanks,
Kristine

From: Rob Hawk
To: Batta, Jamal; Drummond, Carol; Handal, Michael
Date: Tue, Sep 18, 2007 12:51 PM
Subject: Re: Site visit for geotechnical investigation proposal

Carol Drummond will be joining us today to get a feel for the project. Rob

>>> Rob Hawk 9/18/07 12:19:47 PM >>>

Stan: this is to confirm that we will be meeting on-site regarding the soil movement in the area. As we discussed, direct your proposal to the project manager for this who will be Michael Handal:

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And Supervising Senior Civil engineer, Jamal Batta:

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I have your information as:

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CC: Hossein Ruhi

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To: Kevin Gensler
Date: Tue, Sep 18, 2007 3:52 PM
Subject: Fwd: Soledad Mountain Road (SMR) _ Sewer Main

Hi Kevin:

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From: Jamal Batta
To: Jamal Batta
Date: Tue, Sep 18, 2007 3:48 PM
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From: Jamal Batta
To: Ron Dodds
Date: Tue, Sep 18, 2007 3:56 PM
Subject: Fwd: Soledad Mountain Road (SMR) - Survey

Hi Ron:

We are in the process of hiring a consultant design a stability system for the subject road. We informed the consultant that City forces will provide the survey. Mike Handal will contact you to show you the limit of our work and to coordinate a site meeting between your staff and the consultant, if needed.

This is a rush project and any help to expedite the process will be greatly appreciated.

Thanks, jamal

CC: Michael Handal; Rob Hawk

From: Jim Fisher
To: Afshin Oskoui; Christopher Toth; Hasan Yousef; Stan Medina
Date: Tue, Sep 18, 2007 4:05 PM
Subject: Fwd: Re: Urgent Help needed -Sole Source Consultant Agreement

Afshin/Jamal, Water Operations point of contact will be Stan Medina. Jim

>>> Afshin Oskoui 9/18/2007 1:45:27 PM >>>

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From: Ron Dodds
To: Jamal Batta
Date: Tue, Sep 18, 2007 4:15 PM
Subject: Re: Fwd: Soledad Mountain Road (SMR) - Survey

Jamal: Rob Hawk came by this afternoon and discussed the limits of work. I have Teresa in our office producing a pdf file from the City's digital orthophoto with the lot lines attached. Hopefully, the consultant will be able to use this information and save the city the mapping cost. I have scheduled a survey crew to set the monitoring positions. I will send the pdf to you and the rest of the group when it is created.

Thanks,
Ron

>>> Jamal Batta 09/18/07 3:56 PM >>>
Hi Ron:

We are in the process of hiring a consultant design a stability system for the subject road. We informed the consultant that City forces will provide the survey. Mike Handal will contact you to show you the limit of our work and to coordinate a site meeting between your staff and the consultant, if needed.

This is a rush project and any help to expedite the process will be greatly appreciated.

Thanks, jamal

CC: Hossein Ruhi; Marshall Wilkinson; Michael Handal; Rob Hawk

Jim Barrett - Fwd: Re: Urgent Help needed -Sole Source Consultant Agreement

From: Jim Fisher
To: Afshin Oskoui; Christopher Toth; Hasan Yousef; Stan Medina
Date: 9/18/2007 4:04 PM
Subject: Fwd: Re: Urgent Help needed -Sole Source Consultant Agreement
CC: Alex Ruiz; Hossein Ruhi; Jamal Batta; Jim Barrett; John Brown; Mario Sierra; Mark Mercer; Richard Haas; Tim Bertch

Afshin/Jamal, Water Operations point of contact will be Stan Medina. Jim

>>> Afshin Oskoui 9/18/2007 1:45:27 PM >>>

FYI, Jim, Chris, Mario

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From 5685 to 5735

Action Items

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8	Water highline	Jamal	9/18/2007	
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12	Kill the FH across 5734 Desert View Dr.	Jamal	9/18/2007	
13	Funding	Jamal	9/18/2007	
14	Signs to slow down traffic	Jamal	9/19/2007	Verify with Traffic Ops.
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From: Rob Hawk
To: Oskoui, Afshin; Ruhi, Hossein
Date: Tue, Sep 18, 2007 4:10 PM
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CC: Batta, Jamal; Drummond, Carol; Gibson, Marnell; Zoumaras, Dave

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From: Jamal Batta
To: Afshin Oskoui
Date: 9/18/2007 5:06:50 PM
Subject: Re: Soledad Mountain Road

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>>> Afshin Oskoui 9/18/2007 5:01 PM >>>

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From: Mark Mercer
To: Rob Hawk
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Sounds good.

Mark

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>>> Mark Mercer 9/18/07 5:10:09 PM >>>
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Mark

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From: Rob Hawk
To: AOskoui@sandiego.gov, HRuhi@sandiego.gov, JBradford@sandiego.gov, Soledad Mountain Road Meeting
Date: 9/18/2007 8:56:46 PM
Subject: Re: Soledad Mountain Road water line/letter to customers

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From: Carol Drummond
To: Afshin Oskoui
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Subject: Re: Fwd: Soledad Mt. Rd. Water Line

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CC: Jamal Batta; Nathan Bruner; Rob Hawk

From: James Nagelvoort
To: Carol Drummond
Date: Tue, Sep 18, 2007 4:55 PM
Subject: Dessert View Issue

Carol,

FYI, I received a phone call from a resident that lives in the area that was very concerned. She was complaining about broken water services, earth movement, and cracking in the road. She did not leave a name but her number is (858) 454-8945. I was going to call her back but thought the better of it. Can you please call her as soon as you get the "message" down as to what we are going to say to the public.

Thanks, James

CC: Dave Zoumaras; Jamal Batta

From: Jamal Batta
To: Julio Fuentes
Date: Tue, Sep 18, 2007 6:07 PM
Subject: Soledad Mountain Road

Julio:

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CC: Deborah Van Wanseele; Michael Handal

From: Stan Medina
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From: Rob Hawk
To: Ruiz, Alex
Date: Wed, Sep 19, 2007 11:30 AM
Subject: Soledad Mountain Road Highline

Alex: can you let us know when you could go forward, & which side of the road? We would prefer the West side, with the laterals in shallow trenches across the pavement. Could you coordinate with Michael Handal and Jamal Batta & copy me? To restate what I said earlier, the sooner the better especially to avoid any further leaks. Rob Hawk

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>>> Alex Ruiz 9/19/07 9:07:51 AM >>>

Rob: What the urgency on the hillside? Pull out all stops to get it done tomorrow? By Friday? Right now the team is looking at Monday, unless we want to do it on overtime....

Alex

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>>> Rob Hawk 9/19/2007 9:01 AM >>>

FYI: These action items or tasks have been performed as of Tuesday 9/18/07 by ECP staff following the 9/17/07 meeting.

1. Michael Handal & Jamal Batta have been tasked with the project management duties for the investigation and construction of the stabilization.
2. ECP Staff met on site Tuesday afternoon with Stan Helenschmidt and Mike Hart from Helenschmidt Geotechnical, Inc. This is what we agreed on:
 - a. The geotechnical consultant will give us a proposal by tomorrow to install inclinometers to measure the earth movement and displacement (if any).
 - b. The geotechnical proposal will be ready by Friday or Monday at the latest. The proposal will include soil exploration and investigation. Prepare plans and specs for construction. Fees and schedule.
 - c. Field Engineering will do the survey.
3. Jaymie Bradford, Mario Sierra, John Brown, and Hasan Yousef have been added to the general

distribution list for this issue

4. SDG&E was contacted regarding protecting their utilities and will contact Jamal. (Maricela Leon 858.654.8339 Fax 858.636.3965 mleon@semprautilities.com)

5. The text of the letter to homeowners was provided by the Water Department, and has been reviewed by a Deputy City Attorney and has been sent to the management group for review prior to mailing (planned for Wednesday).

6. Carol Drummand, Senior PIO, was named as the Hotline contact for this project. She toured the site today with Jamal, Rob, Michael and the geotechnical consultants.

7. The Building Official and DSD geology staff were briefed on the geotechnical issues and risk concerns for the area residents by Rob Hawk on Monday, 9/17/07.

8. ECP Field Engineering agreed to set up a survey monitoring grid to detect vertical and horizontal displacement in the affected area. Points to be set on 9/19/07

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CC: Batta, Jamal; Handal, Michael

Richard Haas - Re: Soledad Mountain Road water line/letter to customers

From: Alex Ruiz
To: Afshin Oskoui; Christopher Toth; David Jarrell; Hossein Ruhi; Jaymie Bradford; Jim Fisher; Mario Sierra; Mark Mercer; Ray Palmucci; Richard Haas; Rob Hawk
Date: 9/19/2007 7:09 AM
Subject: Re: Soledad Mountain Road water line/letter to customers
CC: Carol Drummond; Dave Zoumaras; Hasan Yousef; Jamal Batta; Jim Barrett; John Brown; Marnell Gibson; Peter Yee; Thomas Zeleny; Tim Bertch

The letter to the customers looks good. Water will provide the hi-line target date (operational plan implementation) asap..

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>>> Rob Hawk 9/18/2007 8:56 PM >>>

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From: Rob Hawk
To: Toth, Christopher
Date: September 19, 2007 7:37:35 AM
Subject: Re: Soledad Mountain Road water line/letter to customers

Chris: can we do that separately? We need to get this out today because the highline is a priority (laterals leak much slower). We can send that to the ones we identify as at risk. This letter is more for the entire neighborhood. If you send me a draft, I'll start it through the process with the CA & mgt. Rob

>>> Christopher Toth 9/19/07 7:00:14 AM >>>

Rob, I would like to include a sentence or two indicating that city forces also may be interested in televising certain property owners' sewer laterals as well. Can we include verbiage to that effect in this letter? Chris

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From: Tammy Rimes
To: Afshin Oskoui
Date: Wed, Sep 19, 2007 8:52 AM
Subject: Re: Urgent Help needed -Sole Source Consultant Agreement

Sure, you can fax it to my attention at 533-3224 and I will handle it immediately. Please be sure to include information about the company, the timing of the project, and the not-to-exceed amount with the correct authorization level signatures. We'll turn it around quickly for you.

Thanks,
Tammy Rimes

>>> Afshin Oskoui 09/18/2007 7:22 AM >>>

Tammy,

Just a heads up that we'll need your help to approve and process a sole source consultant agreement for a Geotechnical Consultant services for the Soledad Mtn Road. The road and associate underlaying soil is showing signs of distress and possible movement, and we want to investigate it immediately as a health and safety issue. We are contacting some consultants to see who will accept the scope of work and will process an agreement post haste. We'll follow up w/ the necessary paper work as soon as we've identified the consultant who will perform the work. Your help is much appreciated. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks,
Afshin

CC: Dave Zoumaras; David Jarrell; Hossein Ruhi; Jamal Batta; Lance Wade; Marnell Gibson; Richard Haas; Rob Hawk

Stan Medina - Re: HI Line on Mt Soledad

From: Alex Ruiz
To: Stan Medina
Date: 9/19/2007 8:55:33 AM
Subject: Re: HI Line on Mt Soledad

Thanks Stan. I checked Cam Avola last night and the site looks relatively clean and orderly..... Are you still proposing to reduce the number of hi-lined homes, or are we staying with the original configuration, just adding a hydrant?

Re Mt. Soledad: I am unaware of any reason to remove from service the fire hydrant in alley, but will check on this with the geotech (Rob Hawk)... Also, I will confirm the urgency, but I suspect we will not be able to wait until next Thursday for hiline.. Can we pull the trigger on the hiline by Friday?

Alex

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>>> Stan Medina 9/19/2007 8:31 AM >>>

Alex,

Today we are beginning the process to install an additional fire hydrant on Caminito Avola, to provide adequate fire protection. It's a two day process, by tomorrow afternoon it should be activated. I will contact the SDFD and inform them, (I'm certain they will be pleased).

After meeting with Jesse and Bernard, we have scheduled the initial hiling process for Soledad Mt. Rd. to begin next Thursday, September 27th. We will hiline first, and then cut & plug the 12"AC water main. I will contact the SDFD and discuss fire hydrants and fire protection.

Also, is there a reason we are being requested to put the fire hydrant in the alley east of Soledad Mt. Rd. out of service?

Thanks

Stan Medina
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Water Department, Operations
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>>> Alex Ruiz 9/19/2007 7:13:30 AM >>>

Stan:

Let me know how you are doing on the two hiling operations in the Mt Soledad are... 1) Caminito Avola reconfiguration to minimize impact and provide additional hydrants, and the new Mt Soledad hiline operation - when will we have a target date for hiline installation?..

Thanks

Alex

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